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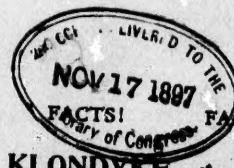
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Corner Hudson and Harrison Streets,

New York, U. S. A.

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THE LAND OF FABULOUS FORTUNES.

Clarence J. Perry and his wife ("the Bride of the Klondyke") took out of a claim on 15th last April,

\$135,000 IN GOLD,

*on the EL DORADO Creek near BONANZA Creek
tributary to the KLONDYKE River forming
the YUKON.*

THE Steamer "Cleveland," which sailed from St. Michael on August 29, arrived in Seattle last night with 25 passengers and \$400,000 worth of gold dust.

A MINER (Lemmon) has written his wife at Tacoma of a rich strike he has made on a tributary of the Pelly, which in turn empties into the Yukon; had already taken out \$55,000, and says he has thousands more in sight.

T. J. ALLEN had \$50,000 worth of dust, taken out of Miller River, where he and his two partners took out \$65,000. Samuel Matthews and George Raymond have \$15,000 each. Charles Engele, who returns with his wife and three children, brings out \$20,000 in dust.

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Dues, \$2.00 weekly, 25 weeks.

Under control of a Board of Trustees.

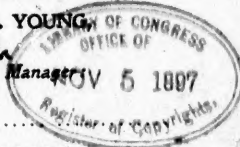
President:

C. F. CLARKE.

Secretary and Treasurer:

GEO. W. YOUNG.

General Manager:



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Write name and address plainly, give name in full.

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Married or Single

Lady applicants need only give name and address, and if married or single.

For further information write to

GEO. W. YOUNG, Secretary,
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Klondyke Mutual Benefit Development Association.

PROSPECTUS.

OBJECTS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

THE Klondyke Mutual Benefit Development Association is formed to enable persons of moderate means, for a small weekly or monthly dues of twenty-five weeks, to participate in the immense gold finds of Alaska,—an Association that gives the poor man an equal chance with the rich man to be owners of these valuable gold mines. It is intended by the Association to send a number of their own members out to the gold mines next April, and the chance to go is open to every one of the subscribing members, to have their passage paid, given a full outfit and all necessary provisions, for the small sum of \$50, payable in weekly dues. Mining experts will accompany each division sent out. If you are not one of those who go, you still participate in the earnings or gains of those who are sent. So that your fifty dollar membership may become worth to you **Thousands of Dollars**. This is not a stock company, where the stock can be manipulated at the will of the incorporators and at the expense of

the stockholders, but an association of persons mutually interested, who participate directly in the work of their own associates whom they have sent out to the gold mines, who are under agreement with the Association and in charge of an expert, under bond, whereby one-half of all claims they may stake out, and one-half of all gold they discover, shall be turned over to the Association, to be divided among their associates according to the number of memberships they hold in each Series issued by the Association.

PLAN OF ASSOCIATION.

Series A, B and C—Club of 100 members to each Series. Each Series opens Sept. 22d, 1897, and each Series closes March 31st, 1898.

Weekly dues..... \$2.00
Full am't of dues paid in by each member... 50.00

As soon as any of the above Series are full, other Series or Clubs will be formed; but in no case will any Series be increased above the allotted number.

A membership fee of one dollar will be charged all those becoming members after Nov. 1st, 1897.

There will be no other dues, charges or assessments whatever, except the stipulated dues and the one dollar entrance fee after November 1st, 1897. Every member has the option of paying his full dues at one time, or in weekly installments. Any member has also the right to belong to any one or all of the Series. All dues must be fully paid up on or before the date of the close of the Series to which a member belongs.

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The Secretary of the Association will notify every member, immediately after the close of his Series, to meet at the office of the Association and select four members from their Series to represent them at the Klondyke, or other Alaska gold mines. Upon the selection of such four members, the Association will then appoint an expert miner to go with them, and make arrangements at once for their departure by the quickest, shortest or most convenient route open at that date: paying all the expenses of their journey to the gold mines, providing them with a full outfit and the necessary provisions. Also, each company will carry a full medical chest.

To insure the Association against loss by death of any member chosen to go, a life policy of insurance for \$1,000 will be taken out in a first-class insurance company for the benefit of the Association; also another policy for the same amount, for the benefit of the member, providing he has a family, and without cost to the member.

The expert sent with the persons selected by the members to go to the gold mines will be an employe of the Association, and act as their agent. It will be his duty to aid the company he takes out on the journey, and, upon arrival at the mines, to give them his expert advice and help in prospecting.

The Association will send an expert miner with each division or company sent out.

Each of the four members selected by the mem-

bers of the several Series will be expected to sign an agreement assigning to the Trustees of the Association one-half of all the claims they stake out, and one-half of all the gold they may obtain, the other half to belong to themselves, individually or collectively, as they may desire.

Each expert miner sent out with his company will be under a sufficient bond to the Association to carry out the provisions of the agreements entered into with the members sent out. No member sent out to the gold mines will be entitled to any share of the earnings that may accrue from the one-half that his company turns over to the Association,—he being chosen to go to the mines, and, accepting the choice, cancels his certificate in his Series. At the same time, he can hold two or more memberships in his own or other Series, and be entitled to the earnings declared in those Series.

The profits of the Association derived from the gains of those members sent out will be distributed as follows, per example:

The five persons—including the expert—selected by the members and appointed by the Association, say, of Series A: All the claims they stake out and all the gold they obtain, and one-half of all money (less expenses) that the Association may obtain for the sale of a gold claim, shall belong equally to the five persons sent out. All other halves, either of gold obtained or claims staked out, shall be turned over to the Association, and the half of all moneys received for sale of claims by the Association shall be the property

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profits of the members of Series A. The same rule
of division of earnings declared shall apply to
each Series; so that each Series will participate
only in the success of the members of the Series
they have sent out to represent them.

It being very unlikely that from each Series of
100 members there will be more than one-fourth of
them who would be able or desire to go to the
Klondike, it greatly enhances the chances of those
wanting to go being chosen; as the selection will
be made only from those members who enter their
names with the Secretary of the Association one
month before the close of their Series as desiring
to be placed on the list of those to be selected.

Under the circumstances which this Association
is organized, the power of control being placed in
the members of each Series and the whole control
governed by an elected Board of Trustees to carry
out the purposes of the Association (see By-Laws),
There is no individual liability of the members.
And the Association being represented at the gold
mines by members of their own Series and of their
own choice, there cannot be a doubt that the
chances of success are enormously in favor of the
Association.

If only the three Series are filled, there will be at
the mines prospecting for the Association fifteen
capable men, three of whom will be expert miners,
all of them provided with everything necessary for
successful mining operations, with all the resources
of the Association behind them to bring about
large and profitable results.

A single good claim staked out and developed may sell for a million dollars.

Dues, weekly or monthly, will be received at the office of the Association.

You may be a member of one or more Series if you wish. As each Series is limited, and that number will not be increased, so when a Series is closed a membership of that Series will be largely enhanced in value; and should it be one of a fortunate Series, may be worth fifty times more than the dues you have paid in. A Pass-Book will be given to every member, which will also contain the By-Laws of the Association. Upon receipt of the full amount of dues the Certificates will be issued.

Certificates of membership and Pass-Books are transferable on the books of the Association.

Remittances can be made as follows: Cash in registered letter, or express, post-office order or postal note, New York bank draft, or check. All orders must be made payable to the Treasurer of the Association.



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BY-LAWS

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KLONDYKE MUTUAL BENEFIT DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE I.

NAME.

The name of this Association shall be the KLON-
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ARTICLE II.

OBJECT.

The objects for which it is formed, are :

1st. The advancement of the mutual interests of
its members.

2nd. The formation of successive series of mem-
bership, and the securing to the members com-
prising each series, the benefit of co-operation in
the development and investigation of the physical,
material and industrial resources of the United
States and the Dominion of Canada.

ARTICLE III.

MEMBERS.

The members shall consist of all persons (who without restriction as to age or sex, have paid a regular membership fee of \$1.00 and the regular dues.

CLASS A.—Members shall consist of successive series of one hundred members, united according to the time of application.

CLASS B.—Members shall consist of successive series of ~~two~~ hundred members, united according to the time of application.

The membership of no series shall be increased beyond the stipulated number.

ARTICLE IV.

The DUES of the Association shall be as follows:

CLASS A.—Members shall pay weekly dues of \$2.00 per week from the time of application for a period of twenty-five successive weeks.

CLASS B.—Members shall pay weekly dues of \$1.00 per week for a period of twenty-five successive weeks.

PAID UP Certificates shall be issued to all members who have paid their dues in full. Certificates to represent Class A, \$50.00, and for Class B members, \$25.00.

No further liability shall attach to any member.

ARTICLE V.

DELINQUENT MEMBERS.

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when 60 days in arrears for their dues, and a fine of one dollar will be imposed upon such delinquent members. All dues not paid in full at the date which the member series close, makes them ineligible to vote or be chosen to go to the Gold Fields; but upon payment of fines and dues they will still be a beneficiary member in the earnings of their series.

REMIT FINES.

The Board of Trustees has power to remit fines on a proper cause shown, represented by a delinquent member.

ARTICLE VI.

If any member of any series chosen to go to the Gold Fields, through death, disability or any other cause, be unable to carry out the purposes for which he was chosen by members of his series, either before he starts or on his way, or after he arrives at the Gold Fields, the Board of Trustees have the power to choose another member from his series who desires to go and fill his place, it being the intention of the Association to be represented at all times by five persons in each series at the Gold Fields, so long as it is profitable to the Association to keep them there.

ARTICLE VII.

OFFICERS.

The officers shall consist of a President, Secretary and Treasurer, also General Manager and a

Board of Trustees consisting of five members, of whom the President and General Manager shall be *ex-officio* members.

ARTICLE VIII.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

The duties of the President shall be to preside at all meetings of the Association, to maintain order and to ex-officio act as chairman of the Board of Trustees.

SECRETARY, TREASURER AND GENERAL MANAGER.

The Secretary shall keep a true and correct copy of the minutes of the proceedings of the Association and the Trustees; shall keep true and correct records of all matters pertaining to the Association; attend to the correspondence of the Association; notify the members of meeting, etc., and perform all duties usually pertaining to his office.

The Treasurer shall be subject to the direction of the Board of Trustees, receive and account for all moneys received by the Association. He shall deposit same to the credits of the Trustees in such bank or banks as the Board of Trustees may direct, and dispense same upon their order and subject to such proper regulations as they may impose. Also give a good and sufficient bond.

ARTICLE IX.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

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The General Manager shall be *ex-officio* a member of the Board of Trustees and shall look after the good and welfare of the Association, and carry out, under control of the Board of Trustees, the objects of the Association.

ARTICLE X.

ELECTIONS.

The Officers shall be elected annually by the Board of Trustees on the first Monday of October in each year, and shall hold office for one year.

One member of the Board of Trustees shall be elected at the end of the first year, and two members every following year; term of office to be settled by lot or otherwise.

QUORUM.

A majority of the Board of Trustees shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE XI.

VACANCIES.

Vacancies in the Board of Trustees occurring during the year can be filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Board, at any regular meeting of the Board or at any special meeting called for that purpose, also any vacancies of the officers of the Association can be filled in the same manner.

ARTICLE XII.

At all meetings of the members of the Association, a majority of votes cast by those who are present or by proxy shall constitute a valid binding vote on all members of the Association.

ARTICLE XIII.

It shall be the duty of members to notify the Secretary of any change of address, and any notice sent by the Secretary to the last given address of a member through the mail shall be deemed a due and legal notice.

All notices of meetings shall be issued at least five days previous to the time designated for said meeting.

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ARTICLE XIV.

SEAL.

The Association shall possess a seal with the name of the Association thereon.

ARTICLE XV.

These By-laws may be amended or altered at any annual or special meeting of the members called for that purpose by a two-third vote of the members present.

ORDER OF BUSINESS. BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

1. Reading of the minutes.
2. Report of the Secretary.
3. Report of the Treasurer.
4. Report of the Manager.
5. Report of the Finance Committee.
6. Report of Special Committees.
7. Unfinished business.
8. New business.
9. Election of Trustees.

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L. LARSON, of Chicago, who was a passenger on the "South Coast," has been in the Yukon country three years and has prospected in several districts. His present interests are sixty miles from Circle City, on the American side. Soon after the news of the Klondike strikes reached Circle City he left his claims and went to the new diggings, but after a short time he returned to Circle City. He sold a quarter interest in one of his claims for \$1,000,000.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 11, 1897.—The steamer "South Coast" arrived here this afternoon from St. Michael with 26 passengers and about \$350,000 in gold, taken from the Klondike. Captain Ziddart says that there was easily \$350,000 on board. Thomas Larson has \$45,000 and J. Plight \$40,000, these two being among the richest of the passengers.

Mr. VAILLE, of Portland, Assist. Supt. of Mails, says that Skagway and the White Pass will soon take precedence over Dyea and the Chilkoot Pass, as the latter is practically impassable for horses. The White Pass route goes through a heavily timbered country, where there is not much danger from drifting snow, and while for a considerable distance it lies over swampy ground, the roadbed is being laid with corduroy, and before long it will be in good shape. It is over this road that the Canadian Government will carry the mails to Dawson City, the service being put into operation this month. Along the line they will establish trading posts or stations at a distance of 50 or 75 miles, or possibly every 25 miles. This will enable the mail carrier to make much better time than he can now.

THE building of a railroad from Juneau to Lake Tentin is now assured. Thorough examination by the interested parties has decided them to commence work at the earliest possible moment.

\$2. per week for twenty- **\$2.**
five weeks may make
you a rich man.

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\$50 in weekly dues of \$2. per **\$50**
week sends you to Klondyke
passage paid and full outfit; OR you become
the owner of a certificate of membership that
may be worth thousands of dollars to you.

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